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## RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 8 March 2002, Applicants hereby make, with traverse, an election with respect to the group of claims to be prosecuted in this application.

Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, Group one hundred thirteen, claims 82-85. The grounds for traversal are that the restriction into 113 separate groups of overlapping claims appears to be a fusion of restriction and election of species into a single step. The claims should be separated into groups, then an election of species within the group of claims, if the Examiner believes that there is more than one invention claimed. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

No fee is due as a result of this response to the Restriction Requirement.

Respectfully submitted,

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